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July 3, 2007

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

## ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 2, AND 3 3 VOTES

### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

- Project ID No. RMD3346005 - Roadside Tree Trimming, Topanga, et al., MD 3, FY 2006-07, vicinities of Fernwood and Topanga (3), United Pacific Services, Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$8,040.00, and a final contract amount of \$334,319.00.
- Project ID No. RMD4121004 - Minor Concrete Repairs, RD 146, SD 1, FY 2005-06, vicinity of Santa Fe Springs (1), Torres Construction Corp., with changes amounting to a credit of \$31,967.95, and a final contract amount of \$332,214.05.
- Project ID No. RMD4246006 - Parkway Tree Trimming, RD 141/241, FY 2005-06, vicinities of Huntington Park and Compton (1 and 2), Trimming Land Co., Inc., with changes amounting to a credit of \$1,382.00, and a final contract amount of \$150,348.00.

## **PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

This action is to obtain Board ratification of Director of Public Works approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the attachments are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Attached for your ratification are changes in work, which I ordered for Project ID Nos. RMD3346005, RMD4121004, and RMD4246006.

## **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal 1, Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public. The recommended action is also consistent with Goal 6, Community Services, as the improvements that resulted from the contracts improve the quality of life in the affected communities.

## **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact on the County General Fund.

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from credits of \$31,967.95 to \$1,382.00, while the total values of the contracts range from \$150,348.00 to \$344,319.00, as set forth in these attachments.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the attachments.

**FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Director of Public Works.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the attachments.

**ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The changes in the work as described above and in the attachments are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

**CONTRACTING PROCESS**

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the attachments.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

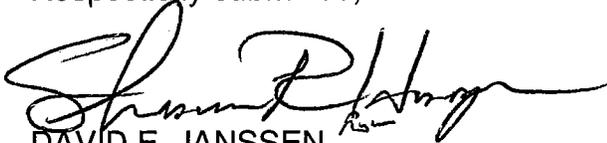
Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

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**CONCLUSION**

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to Public Works, Construction Division.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David E. Janssen". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

DAVID E. JANSSEN  
Chief Executive Officer

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JTS:en

Attachments (3)

c: County Counsel  
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

July 3, 2007

PROJECT ID NO. RMD3346005, ROADSIDE TREE TRIMMING, TOPANGA, ET AL., MD 3, FY 2006-07 (in the vicinities of Fernwood and Topanga), Supervisorial District 3

Contractor: United Pacific Services, Inc., 120 East La Habra Boulevard, Suite 107, La Habra, California 90631-2310

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of roadside trees.

Changes in Work

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$8,040.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based on estimated quantities of various bid items. The contractor is paid based on the actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on the contract unit prices.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on March 23, 2007, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

During construction, the contractor requested 30 hours of overtime inspection, which resulted in a credit to the contract in the amount of \$1,575.00.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$343,934.00
Changes in work Authorized by the Director of Public Works	(8,040.00)
Deduction for overtime inspection	<u>(1,575.00)</u>
<b>FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$334,319.00</u></b>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

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PROJECT ID NO. RMD4121004, MINOR CONCRETE REPAIRS, RD 146, SD 1, FY 2005-06 (in the vicinity of Santa Fe Springs), Supervisorial District 1

Contractor: Torres Construction Corp., 930 Colorado Boulevard, Suite 3, Los Angeles, California 90041

Project Description: Reconstruction of sidewalk, driveways, curb ramps, curb and gutter, and the root pruning and removal of parkway trees

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$31,967.95)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based on estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 8, 2006, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

The contractor completed the project 22 days after the required completion date. The project specifications provide for the assessment of liquidated damages of \$500 per day for each calendar day in excess of the contract completion date; therefore, we assessed liquidated damages in the amount of \$11,000.

In addition, the contractor requested 12 hours of overtime inspection which resulted in a credit to the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$375,812.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	(31,967.95)
Deduction for liquidated damages	(11,000.00)
Deduction for overtime inspection	<u>(630.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$332,214.05</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT  
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PROJECT ID NO. RMD4246006, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, RD 141/241,  
FY 2005-06 (in the vicinities of Huntington Park and Compton),  
Supervisorial Districts 1 and 2

Contractor: Trimming Land Co., Inc., 10513 Dolores Avenue, South Gate,  
California 90280

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of parkway trees.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities (\$1,382.00)

Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities. The costs for these changes were based on contract unit prices.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on January 26, 2007, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required by the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$151,730.00
Changes in work authorized by the Director of Public Works	<u>(1,382.00)</u>
<b>FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT</b>	<b><u>\$150,348.00</u></b>

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